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Responsive to the office action of May 22, 2002, Applicants wish to call up the application for action. The office action had suspended prosecution for six months in view of a potential interference. The Examiner is asked to clarify when the next office action will be received in the above application.

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